

## House Resolution No. 3976

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge a momentous milestone in the history of a blessed religious institution that has come to hold a special place in the hearts of many Missourians; and

**Whereas**, Messiah Lutheran Church in St. Louis, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of its One Hundredth Anniversary on September 14, 2008, with a festive celebration, worship service, and dinner at Bevo Mill; and

**Whereas**, Messiah Lutheran Church can trace its roots back to a few meetings held in December of 1907, when Lutherans in the Tower Grove area of south St. Louis longed to establish a mission there and decided to start a congregation; and

**Whereas**, Messiah Lutheran Church moved to its current facility in 1929, and began serving the community with the addition of Messiah Lutheran School in 1948; and

**Whereas**, following several decades of community change, Messiah Lutheran Church redirected its focus and became a church for all nations, hosting events that try to bring in school and neighborhood children including "Light up the Night", the annual evening of food and fun on Halloween; and

**Whereas**, the members of Messiah Lutheran Church continue to serve as ambassadors of the Gospel and look forward to many more years of serving the spiritual needs of the Tower Grove community:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Messiah Lutheran Church upon this very special anniversary event; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Messiah Lutheran Church.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jeanette Mott Oxford  
District No. 59

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 3976, adopted August 27, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker